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**MINUTES OF THE  
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**CONVENE – THURSDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2008**

Mr. Bill Jones, Chairman, convened a regular meeting of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (TAMUS) at 12:40 p.m., Thursday, December 4, 2008, in the Board Annex on the campus of Texas A&M University (TAMU), College Station, Texas. The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Bill Jones, Chairman  
Mr. John D. White, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Morris Foster  
Mr. Lupe Fraga  
Mr. Erle Nye  
Mr. Gene Stallings  
Mr. Jim Wilson  
Mr. Anthony Cullins, Student Regent

The following members of the Board were not present:

Mr. J.L. Huffines  
Ms. Ida Clement Steen

Mr. Jones announced that a quorum of the Board was present.

**RECESS TO EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Jones announced that the Board would recess to executive session to consider matters as provided in Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code: Section 71 for consultation with system attorneys regarding legal matters or pending and/or contemplated litigation or settlement offers; Section 72 for deliberations regarding the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property; Section 73 for deliberations regarding negotiated contracts for prospective gifts or donations; and Section 74 for deliberations regarding personnel matters relating to appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of an officer or employee, or to hear complaints or charges against an officer or employee [including Items 62 through 68 (Items 69 and 70 withdrawn)].

Mr. Jones said in accordance with the law, no final action, decision, or vote with regard to any matter considered in the executive session would be made or taken.

*(Secretary's Note: The Board met in executive session from 12:43 p.m. until 1:41 p.m.)*



**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION**

Mr. Jones reconvened the meeting in open session at 2:00 p.m. in Room 292 of the Memorial Student Center (MSC) and announced that a quorum of the Board was present. He said that the Board met in executive session today, December 4, from 12:43 p.m. until 1:41 p.m. and considered executive session agenda items and conferred with the Chancellor; several system and university administrators; and system attorneys on personnel, land, and legal matters.

**INVOCATION**

Mr. Jones called on Mr. Marty Morrison from Houston, Texas, a junior at Texas A&M majoring in accounting, who presented the invocation.

**CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS**

Mr. Jones began by introducing Dr. Steven Tallant, the 19<sup>th</sup> President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville (TAMU-K). He previously was provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs at the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. Mr. Jones said as provost, Dr. Tallant was responsible for all undergraduate and graduate academic programs. He also helped lead several restructuring initiatives, including creation of the College of Education and Human Sciences and the College of Nursing and Health Services. Before retiring after 20 years of active service with the military, Dr. Tallant was chief of Air Force Family Research at the Pentagon from 1991-1994. At Kingsville, he supervised more than 1,100 employees, more than 6,500 students and manages a budget of more than \$106 million.

Mr. Jones said that he was saddened to say that Mr. J.L. Huffines had tendered his resignation from the Board. He said this was a rare event and not one taken lightly. Mr. Jones said Mr. Huffines was having some health issues and this was a very difficult decision for him, not one he wanted to make and not one that this Board was eager to hear about. Mr. Jones said that being the gentleman and statesman that he is, Mr. Huffines did not want to hinder the Board in any way with the responsibilities that are required and he requested that the Governor appoint another individual to serve in his place. Mr. Jones said Mr. Huffines would be missed, he loves the System and loves Texas A&M and had been a wonderful contributing member of the Board. He said Mr. Huffines recently participated on many of the presidential search committees. He said Mr. Huffines would receive appropriate recognition at the next meeting with a resolution and there would be some event for him, probably in Dallas.

Mr. Jones announced that on December 12, Texas A&M would host President George W. Bush as he speaks to the commencement/convocation ceremony. Dr. Elsa Murano, President of TAMU, said this has never happened at A&M where they have a sitting president speak and it speaks volumes about the great regard with which the president has for this university but also the stature that this university has obtained over the years. She said they are excited about welcoming the President back to Texas. Dr. Murano also discussed the new format for commencements.

Mr. Jones said he wanted to address Board initiatives that affect faculty and students. He said one of the things presented at this meeting would be the strategic plan from the System. Mr. Jones said the Association of Governing Board of Universities and Colleges met last summer at the University of Virginia and talked about a leadership approach to policy reform, aligning higher education with a 21<sup>st</sup> century public agenda. Public policy and strategic action bullet points discussed were: Define a public agenda to address a state's challenges and opportunities and outline the contributions higher education can make to ensure a state's continued economic, social and civic vitality. Develop measures of success in advancing a state's public agenda including measures of higher education's contributions to achieving a state's educational goals and hold institutions and systems accountable for fulfilling those goals. Provide funding for institutional behavior that helps achieve a state's goals. This is the job of the state of Texas as it relates to our system. Focus on adult learning and training in response to the demands of rapid economic and technical logical and societal changes. Strengthen relationship between higher education institutions and K-12 schools as partners in educating students to succeed in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Engage in more concerted efforts to convey the critical importance of higher education as a means to ensure a nation's continued economic and civic vitality through the establishment of partnerships among different stakeholders in pursuit of a shared agenda.

Mr. Jones said they discussed the responsibilities of a board of regents. They include the following: encourage and monitor the development of a strategic plan outlining specific actions through which a state's higher education institutions contribute to the public agenda; leverage board influence in support of a state's public agenda; encourage board accountability; select board members on the basis of demonstrated skills and merit; invest in the education of a board and its individual members; conduct a periodical assessment of board's effectiveness, both collectively and among individual members and use the results as a basis to improve a board's effectiveness; and celebrate and reward chief executive officers (CEOs) who successfully engage their institutions in contributing to a state's public agenda.

Mr. Jones said pertaining to the CEOs: unite the board, the faculty and other constituents in developing a vision for the institution and enlist the support required to lead the institution to meeting future challenges; formulate a vision of the institution's future, build consensus around it and take the risks required to achieve that vision on campus and beyond; exemplify in actions and words the contributions higher education makes to the nations capacity for productive engagement in a global age; lead the board and faculty through a process of clarifying the precise nature of shared governance on each campus and reduce ambiguities in authority and decision making processes; and exercise the authority already inherent in the position.

Mr. Jones said this information is "dead solid" on. He encouraged everyone to read it and adopt the recommendations as part of each university's strategic plans.

Mr. Jones said a message for the students...each year some students offend, really offend other students. The message he would like to send is they are there and they do what they do to educate the students in the lab, in the classroom and to provide the best possible facilities for students to get that education. Mr. Jones said the students will get an education from any of the institutions but if one does not learn that which is right, then the education is for naught. He said he would leave this with an instruction that his grandmother used to tell him, “now, don’t be ugly.”

Mr. Jones said he accepted Dr. Murano’s and Dr. Jeffrey Vitter’s (Provost and Executive Vice President for Academics) invitation to shadow professors at Texas A&M. He said he picked biology and veterinary medicine and spent a day with two wonderful professors, Dr. Deborah Bell-Pedersen in the Biology Department and Dr. Dan Posey in the College of Veterinary Medicine, showing him what they do on a daily basis. Mr. Jones described each day’s activities and added that the students were very impressive. Mr. Jones said he learned that the professors work harder than most know, they are student-centered and love what they do. He encouraged other regents to take up offers to shadow when possible.

Mr. Jones said he attended the Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU) vs. Alcorn State football game. He was very impressed with the players and congratulated Dr. George Wright, President of PVAMU, for their program and for the invitation.

Next, Mr. Jones reported on the settlement of the Bonfire lawsuits. He said a decision would be made in the future about what to do with Bonfire now that the settlement is done.

Mr. Jones said the legislative session is coming up and Dr. Mike McKinney, Chancellor, has spoken with the CEOs about that. He said it will be a difficult session for higher education.

Mr. Jones spoke about the passing of Regent Emeritus H.C. “Dulie” Bell ’39, who he described as a war hero and a great leader from Caldwell, Texas. Mr. Jones expressed appreciation for Mr. Bell’s leadership, service to our country and contributions to the state of Texas. He announced that the Board would consider a resolution honoring the memory of Mr. Bell later in the meeting.

Mr. Jones announced a tour of the “Do You Wonder Bus,” on Friday, after the meeting.

### **STUDENT REGENT’S REMARKS**

Mr. Anthony Cullins said serving as a student regent has been a very rewarding experience and he has learned and seen a lot. Mr. Cullins said his greatest joy has been meeting with students across the A&M System; he made visits to seven out of the nine campuses already. He said he went on a two-day, four-campus tour with Ms. Steen, Mr. Wilson and Mr. Huffines as well as Dr. Frank Ashley (Vice Chancellor for Academic

Affairs), and Ms. Vickie Spillers (Executive Secretary to the Board). He said he had the opportunity to meet with students from Texas A&M University-Texarkana (TAMU-T), Texas A&M University-Commerce (TAMU-C), West Texas A&M University (WTAMU) and Tarleton State University (TSU). Mr. Cullins said each campus is different but the common theme he heard from each campus was that even though they were smaller, regional campuses, they still have big dreams and they are just as good or even better than other universities across the nation. He has had an opportunity to meet with other student regents from across the state, other Regents and state officials of higher education.

Mr. Cullins gave the following campus highlights: TAMU-the Memorial Student Center (MSC) renovation; PVAMU-gearing up for an athletic referendum concerning increased athletic scholarships and enhance current facilities; Texas A&M University at Galveston (TAMUG)-seniors will be graduating December 14 in Galveston; TAMU-C-women's soccer team advanced to the NCAA Sweet 16 as well as a new MSC opening December 1 and the new music building will break ground in the spring.

Mr. Cullins thanked Dr. Dan Jones, President of TAMU-C, for allowing him to be the fall 2008 commencement speaker for the undergraduate ceremonies.

### **CHANCELLOR'S REMARKS**

Dr. Mike McKinney, Chancellor, spoke about Teaching Excellence Awards at TAMU, PVAMU and TAMU-K. He said at TAMU, they developed their own program, "Student Recognized Teaching Excellence Award" and to date there have been 335 faculty that have volunteered. At PVAMU, 108 faculty are participating and in Kingsville, there are 96. Dr. McKinney said this is a pilot program to see how it works at these three schools, to fix whatever problems arise and to implement at all universities in the spring. He said part of the appropriation request to the legislature was for \$12 million, which would fund full participation by all the faculty members for the next two years. Mr. Jones asked if the Board would receive a report. Dr. McKinney answered in the affirmative.

Mr. Stallings asked about the reward system for these professors. Dr. McKinney said the intent is for the top three percent to receive \$5,000 plus an incremental amount for the number of students they have over 25 in a class. The next 15 percent would receive \$2,500 plus an incremental amount up to a total of \$5,000, depending on the size of the class. Those professors who are highly ranked and are in large classes would receive the upper amount. He said there are a lot of details to be worked out. Mr. Stallings asked if these were full professors or could they be instructors. Dr. McKinney replied the answer is "whoever teaches a class." Mr. Stallings asked the minimum they have to teach to qualify for this. Dr. McKinney said it is done by class and to be eligible there must be 15 students in the class. There are other awards where performance is looked at over a longer period of time. Mr. Stallings said that bottom line, they are giving an award to teachers to teach. Dr. McKinney said they are recognizing the teachers that the students say are good teachers.

Dr. McKinney said there had been a news conference and a meeting at Fort Hood, Mission Military Friendly. He explained that this was the kickoff of a taskforce that is to give us recommendations on how to be more military friendly. Mr. Stallings asked if this would include private institutions. Dr. McKinney said only state supported schools.

Dr. McKinney referred to the workmen's compensation savings and said through the years, we have struggled with this. He praised Mr. Kevin McGinnis, Director of Risk Management, for the outstanding job he has done. Since 2000, there has been a decrease in the payout (real dollars) by 51 percent. The number of injuries that receive a claim has decreased by 50 percent.

Dr. McKinney asked Dr. Bowen Loftin, Vice President and CEO of TAMUG, to present an update. Dr. Loftin said they are still actively working to assess in detail the exact extent of damages to the campuses in Galveston, the cost of repair and the relocation expenses occurred in moving their students, faculty and staff to College Station as well as the loss of revenue. He said the Texas Clipper came home last week. Dr. Loftin said the Mitchell Campus on Pelican Island and the Fort Crockett Campus are fully operational. He said the students are still in College Station taking final exams and will be leaving next week to return to their homes. Dr. Loftin said the December graduation would be held in Galveston on December 14. Dr. Loftin said classes will begin on January 20 in Galveston and they are grateful for the support of Dr. Murano and the entire campus community in College Station, as well as the System. He said now permanent repairs have to be made on two major structures on campus and equipment and waterfront infrastructure has to be restored on both the Mitchell Campus and Teichmann Campus in Galveston. They are looking to insurance, FEMA and to the state ultimately to help make this happen. Dr. Loftin said two very important things remaining. First, they must resolve how to deal with appropriations for the coming biennium. He said this is a base year for funding. Ike had an impact and there was a nine percent growth over last year's enrollment until Ike hit. Formula funding will be based on this year's enrollment for the next two years beyond. The second big issue will be housing for the students who live off campus. Dr. Loftin asked for questions. Mr. Jones said the Board would be available to help in any way needed.

Dr. McKinney said briefings and study committees have begun. He said what has been done as a system is talking to the legislators about the total cost of education. He discussed special item requests, incentive funding, enrollment and increase in graduation rates.

Mr. Jones presented Item 41 and asked if there were any additional requests for public testimony. There were none. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 347-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 41)**

**GRANTING OF THE DESIGNATION  
OF THE REGENTS PROFESSOR AWARDS  
AND THE REGENTS FELLOW SERVICE AWARDS  
FOR THE 2007-2008 FISCAL YEAR,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Stallings and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby grants the designation of ‘Regents Professor’ for 2007-08 to the following thirteen faculty members, effective December 4, 2008:

Dr. Don M. Beach, *Tarleton State University*  
Dr. Theodore C. Hansen, *Texas A&M University-Commerce*  
Dr. Scott E. Henke, *Texas A&M University-Kingsville*  
Dr. Arthur E. Johnson, *The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center*  
Dr. M. Sam Mannan, *Texas A&M University*  
Dr. Vijay G. Panchang, *Texas A&M University at Galveston*  
Dr. Charles D. Phillips, *The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center*  
Dr. K. R. Rajagopal, *Texas A&M University;*  
*Texas Engineering Experiment Station*  
Dr. W. David Sissom, *West Texas A&M University*  
Dr. Tom Wagy, *Texas A&M University-Texarkana*  
Dr. Jennifer L. Welch, *Texas A&M University*  
Dr. Kirk O. Winemiller, *Texas A&M University; Texas AgriLife Research*  
Dr. Robert Wooster, *Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi*

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby grants the designation of ‘Regents Fellow’ for 2007-08 to the following five agency service, extension and research professionals, effective December 4, 2008:

Dr. Timothy J. Lomax, *Texas Transportation Institute*  
Dr. Mark Lee McFarland, *Texas AgriLife Extension Service*  
Mr. J. Robert McKee, *Texas Engineering Extension Service*  
Ms. Elva Yolanda Morado, *Texas AgriLife Extension Service*  
Dr. Gerald R. Smith, *Texas AgriLife Research*

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**RECESS**

Mr. Jones recessed the meeting at 3:21 p.m.

*(Secretary's Note: The Committee on Finance did not have a quorum present, but received reports. The Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant convened at 3:43 p.m. and adjourned at 4:29 p.m.)*

**RECONVENE AND RECESS**

Mr. Jones reconvened and recessed the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

**RECONVENE – FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2008**

Mr. Jones reconvened the Board Meeting on Friday, December 5, 2008, at 9:35 a.m., in Room 292 of the MSC.

The following members of the Board were present:

Mr. Bill Jones, Chairman  
Mr. John D. White, Vice Chairman  
Mr. Lupe Fraga  
Mr. Erle Nye  
Mr. Gene Stallings (*departed meeting at 10:00 a.m.*)  
Mr. Jim Wilson  
Mr. Anthony Cullins, Student Regent

The following members of the Board were not present:

Mr. Morris Foster  
Mr. J.L. Huffines  
Ms. Ida Clement Steen

**RECESS**

Mr. Jones recessed the meeting of the Board at 9:36 a.m.

*(Secretary's Note: The Policy Review Committee met from 9:36 a.m. to 9:58 a.m. Mr. Stallings departed the meeting at 10:00 a.m.)*

Mr. Jones said that earlier that morning, 7:45 a.m. to 9:00 a.m., in the Board Dining Room, the regents had a breakfast meeting with the Executive Committee of the Distinguished Professors at Texas A&M and Dr. Murano. He said they discussed issues regarding processes for hiring a president and possible changes to inclusion related issues. He said they also discussed issues defining the nature of a great university and coverage of disciplines concentrating on fewer areas. Mr. Jones said they also discussed strategies for improving national academic standing and mechanisms for increasing interaction with the Board of Regents and faculty relations. He said he made this announcement publicly because it was a public meeting and there was a quorum of the Board present so he wanted to record the issues discussed with the professors.

*(Secretary's Note: The Committee on Academic and Student Affairs did not have a quorum present, but received reports.)*

**RECONVENE BOARD MEETING**

Mr. Jones reconvened the meeting at 10:23 a.m. He announced that the Board had not received any requests for public testimony.

Mr. Jones called on Mr. White to present the report from the Committee on Audit.

**REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON AUDIT**

Mr. White, Chairman of the Committee on Audit, reported that the committee met the previous day and covered presentations on Enterprise Risk Management of the Texas Veterinary Medicine Diagnostic Lab (TVMDL) and Texas Transportation Institute (TTI). He said they reviewed the Audit Tracking Report and there were no follow-ups necessary. Mr. White said Ms. Cathy Smock, Chief Auditor, gave an annual report on the Internal Audit Department's performance measures and they made great progress over the period of time they have been tracking the measures. Mr. White said there was an update on the EthicsPoint Hotline.

Mr. Jones called on Mr. Nye to present the report from the Committee on Finance.

**REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

Mr. Nye, Chairman of the Committee on Finance, said the members received a report from Ms. B. J. Crain, Associate Vice Chancellor of Budgets and Accounting, on Historically Underutilized Business (HUB) results for 2008. He said Items 1 through 4 were presented but due to lack of a quorum, they did not vote. Mr. Nye made a motion for the Board to approve Items 1 through 4. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 348-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 1)**

**APPROVAL OF 2009 STILES FARM FOUNDATION BUDGET,  
TEXAS AGRILIFE EXTENSION**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Fraga and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The operating budget for the Stiles Farm Foundation for calendar year 2009, attached to the official minutes as **Exhibit A**, is hereby approved.



**MINUTE ORDER 349-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 2)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT  
FOR SPECIALIZED EDUCATIONAL, RESEARCH, AND TRAINING  
SERVICES AT THE COSTA RICA CENTER,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Fraga and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The President of Texas A&M University, or designee, is authorized to execute a contract for specialized educational, research, and training services with Casa Verde Research Center, Sociedad Anonima.

The period covered shall be effective from December 1, 2008 through August 31, 2013. Texas A&M University shall pay Casa Verde Research Center, Sociedad Anonima, an amount not to exceed \$400,000 USD annually to support the academic and research programs of Texas A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 350-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 3)**

**APPROVAL OF REALLOCATION OF THE FY 2009  
AVAILABLE UNIVERSITY FUND (AUF) APPROPRIATION,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Fraga and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The FY 2009 AUF appropriation for Texas A&M University identified to support teaching excellence awards (\$1.1 million) is hereby reduced and reallocated to the System Offices to be used to support teaching excellence awards for Texas A&M University and Prairie View A&M University.

**MINUTE ORDER 351-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 4)**

**APPROVAL OF DELETION OF  
SYSTEM POLICY 25.05 (*PURCHASE OF FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS*),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Fraga and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

System Policy 25.05 (*Purchase of Food and Refreshments*) is deleted, effective immediately.

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Mr. Jones called on Mr. Wilson to present the report from the Committee on Buildings and Physical Plant.

**REPORT FROM THE COMMITTEE ON BUILDINGS AND PHYSICAL PLANT**

Mr. Wilson reported that the Committee met on Thursday, December 4, 2008, and considered Items 8 through 24. (*Items 5 through 7 were withdrawn prior to the committee meeting.*) The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 352-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 8)**

**APPROVAL OF THE REVISED PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET  
AND APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES FOR THE  
NUCLEAR MAGNETIC RESONANCE (NMR) FACILITY,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The revised project scope for the Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Facility project is approved.

The revised project budget of \$15,426,600 for the Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) Facility is approved.

The amount of \$1,150,000 is appropriated from Account No. 06-203014, Indirect Costs, and the amount of \$1,150,000 is appropriated from Account No. 02-020297, Investment Earnings, for construction services and related project costs.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 353-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 9)**

**APPROVAL OF THE PROJECT SCOPE AND BUDGET,  
APPROPRIATION FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES AND  
APPROVAL FOR CONSTRUCTION FOR THE DAIRY CENTER,  
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The project scope along with a project budget of \$11,124,000 for the Dairy Center project is approved.

The amount of \$10,011,600 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083536, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (TRB), for construction services and related project costs.

The Dairy Center, Tarleton State University, Stephenville, Texas, is approved for construction.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 354-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 10)**

**APPROVAL OF FUNDING SOURCE CHANGE FOR  
WASTEWATER SYSTEM UPGRADE, BRAYTON FIRE TRAINING FIELD,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The change of the funding source for \$5,000,000 of the project costs for the Wastewater System Upgrade, Phase 1 project, Brayton Fire Training Field, Texas

Engineering Extension Service, College Station, Texas, to Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds is approved.

The amount of \$5,000,000 is appropriated from Account No. 01-083536, Revenue Financing System Debt Proceeds (Local Funds) and the amount of \$5,000,000 is reverted to Account No. 09-740101, Capital Investment Reserve.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 355-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“DON K. CLARK BUILDING,”  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The College of Juvenile Justice and Psychology Building located on the campus of Prairie View A&M University is hereby named the “Don K. Clark Building.”

**MINUTE ORDER 356-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“SALLY & RAY BOWEN ’58 PRACTICE GYM,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

A practice gym in the Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Sally & Ray Bowen ’58 Practice Gym.”

**MINUTE ORDER 357-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“ROBYN ‘89 & ALAN ROBERTS ’78 PRACTICE GYM,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

A practice gym in the Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Robyn ’89 & Alan Roberts ’78 Practice Gym.”

**MINUTE ORDER 358-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“BARBARA & R. W. BRIGGS, JR. ’55 TRAINING ROOM,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball training room located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Barbara & R. W. Briggs, Jr. ’55 Training Room.”

**MINUTE ORDER 359-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“J.L. HUFFINES, JR. ’44 WEIGHT ROOM,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball weight room located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “J.L. Huffines, Jr. ’44 Weight Room.”

**MINUTE ORDER 360-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“CINDY & JERRY F. HOLDITCH ’79 LOCKER ROOM,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball men’s locker room located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Cindy & Jerry F. Holditch ’79 Locker Room.”

**MINUTE ORDER 361-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“LYRA & EDWIN R. DANIELS ’48 LOCKER ROOM,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball women’s locker room located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Lyra & Edwin R. Daniels ’48 Locker Room.”

**MINUTE ORDER 362-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“DEE ’91 & TOM H. YATES ’55 STUDENT-ATHLETE SUITE LOBBY,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball student-athlete suite lobby located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Dee ’91 & Tom H. Yates ’55 Student-Athlete Suite Lobby.”

**MINUTE ORDER 363-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“RHONDA & FROSTY GILLIAM, JR. ’80 PLAZA,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball plaza located on the on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Rhonda & Frosty Gilliam, Jr. ’80 Plaza.”

**MINUTE ORDER 364-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“ROBYN ’89 & ALAN ROBERTS ’78 HEAD COACH’S OFFICE,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball women’s head coach’s office located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Robyn ’89 & Alan Roberts ’78 Head Coach’s Office.”

**MINUTE ORDER 365-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“VICKY & TERRY KLEIN ’78 HYDROTHERAPY CENTER,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball hydrotherapy center located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Vicky & Terry Klein ’78 Hydrotherapy Center.”

**MINUTE ORDER 366-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“GINA & WILLIAM H. FLORES ’76 MULTIMEDIA ROOM,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball multimedia room located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Gina & William H. Flores ’76 Multimedia Room.”

**MINUTE ORDER 367-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“SUSAN & SAM TORN ’70 LOBBY,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball practice gym lobby located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Susan & Sam Torn ’70 Lobby.”

**MINUTE ORDER 368-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“ROBERT S. MCCLAREN COACHES’ VIDEO ROOM,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball men’s coaches’ video room located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Robert S. McClaren Coaches’ Video Room.”



**MINUTE ORDER 369-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“DONNA & J. MIKE WALKER ’66 MULTIMEDIA ROOM,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball men’s multimedia room located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Donna & J. Mike Walker ’66 Multimedia Room.”

**MINUTE ORDER 370-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“JEFFREY A. TOOLE ’80 RECEPTION AREA,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball men’s reception area located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Jeffrey A. Toole ’80 Reception Area.”

*(Secretary’s Note: This naming was originally approved as MO 190-2006, “Lorrie & Jeffrey A. Toole ’80 Assistant Men’s Coach’s Office.”)*

**MINUTE ORDER 371-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“JANICE & BILL HANNA ’58 RECEPTION AREA,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball women’s reception area located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Janice & Bill Hanna ’58 Reception Area.”

**MINUTE ORDER 372-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“KAREN & STEVEN M. MORRIS ASSISTANT COACH’S OFFICE,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball men’s assistant coach’s office located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Karen & Steven M. Morris Assistant Coach’s Office.”

*(Secretary’s Note: This naming was originally approved as MO 191-2006, “Steven M. & Karen Morris Women’s Coach’s Dressing Room.”)*

**MINUTE ORDER 373-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“SARA & JOHN H. LINDSEY ’44 ASSISTANT COACH’S OFFICE,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball men’s assistant coach’s office located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Sara & John H. Lindsey ’44 Assistant Coach’s Office.”

**MINUTE ORDER 374-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“SHAREE & DAVID R. NORCOM ’73 ASSISTANT COACH’S OFFICE,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball men’s assistant coach’s office located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Sharee & David R. Norcom ’73 Assistant Coach’s Office.”

**MINUTE ORDER 375-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“SUSAN & W. EDWARD RICHARDS ’85 ASSISTANT COACH’S OFFICE,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball men’s assistant coach’s office located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Susan & W. Edward Richards ’85 Assistant Coach’s Office.”

**MINUTE ORDER 376-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“ANN & HAROLD J. CONRAD ’58 ASSISTANT COACH’S OFFICE,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball women’s assistant coach’s office located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Ann & Harold J. Conrad ’58 Assistant Coach’s Office.”

**MINUTE ORDER 377-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“LUANN ERVIN ’84 ASSISTANT COACH’S OFFICE,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball women’s assistant coach’s office located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “LuAnn Ervin ’84 Assistant Coach’s Office.”

**MINUTE ORDER 378-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“VOLA & FRED A. PALMER ’59 ASSISTANT COACH’S OFFICE,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball women’s assistant coach’s office located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Vola & Fred A. Palmer ’59 Assistant Coach’s Office.”

**MINUTE ORDER 379-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“ROBERT W. DENNIS ’83 COACHES’ LOCKER ROOM,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball men’s coach’s locker room located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Robert W. Dennis ’83 Coaches’ Locker Room.”

**MINUTE ORDER 380-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“EDDIE & JOE B. MATTEI ’53 COACHES’ LOCKER ROOM,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball women’s coach’s locker room located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Eddie & Joe B. Mattei ’53 Coaches’ Locker Room.”

**MINUTE ORDER 381-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“STEPHANIE ’94 & JOSHUA DAVIS ’94  
PRACTICE GYM VIEWING BALCONY,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball men’s practice gym viewing balcony located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Stephanie ’94 & Joshua Davis ’94 Practice Gym Viewing Balcony.”

**MINUTE ORDER 382-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“WANDA & LOUIS PALETTA ’78  
PRACTICE GYM VIEWING BALCONY,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball women’s practice gym viewing balcony located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Wanda & Louis Paletta ’78 Practice Gym Viewing Balcony.”

**MINUTE ORDER 383-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“STANTON P. BELL ’54 INFORMATION CENTER,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball men’s information center located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Stanton P. Bell ’54 Information Center.”

**MINUTE ORDER 384-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“SHIRLEY & WILLIAM A. WOOD ’59 INFORMATION CENTER,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball women’s information center located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Shirley & William A. Wood ’59 Information Center.”

**MINUTE ORDER 385-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“OSCAR W. SCHUCHART ’53 VIDEO COORDINATOR’S OFFICE,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball video coordinator’s office located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Oscar W. Schuchart ’53 Video Coordinator’s Office.”

**MINUTE ORDER 386-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“BARBARA & PATRICK BRUNE ’58 WEIGHT ROOM OFFICE,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball weight room office located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Barbara & Patrick Brune ’58 Weight Room Office.”

**MINUTE ORDER 387-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“CYNTHIA ’92 & DAMON DIAMANTARAS ’94  
WEIGHT ROOM OFFICE,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Cox-McFerrin Center for Aggie Basketball weight room office located on the campus of Texas A&M University is hereby named the “Cynthia ’92 & Damon Diamantaras ’92 Weight Room Office.”

**MINUTE ORDER 388-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 11)**

**NAMING OF THE  
“ELADIA LEON HILL MULTIMEDIA CENTER,”  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Language and Literature Lab, Sam Fore Hall, Room #112, located on the campus of Texas A&M University-Kingsville is hereby named the “Eladia Leon Hill Multimedia Center.”

**MINUTE ORDER 389-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 12)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO AMEND THE GROUND LEASE WITH  
THE TEXAS A&M FOUNDATION,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following adoption of the required amendment to Section 85.25 of the *Texas Education Code* and review and approval for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to negotiate and execute any and all documents necessary to amend the existing ground lease with the Texas A&M Foundation to increase the area leased to approximately 6.9 acres.

**MINUTE ORDER 390-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 13)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE LAND AND IMPROVEMENTS  
AT 1809 MONROE STREET, COMMERCE, HUNT COUNTY, TEXAS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-COMMERCE**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, after obtaining approval from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, is authorized to execute and deliver all documents, and to take all other actions necessary to purchase the land and improvements municipally known as 1809 Monroe Street, being described as Lot 1, Block 1, Hunt Common One, Commerce, Hunt County, Texas. The form of the purchase contract and the documents of conveyance must be approved for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel. The purchase price of \$10,000,000, plus closing costs, is hereby approved.

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System (Board) reasonably expects to incur debt in one or more obligations for this project, and all or a portion of the proceeds received from the sale of such obligations is reasonably expected to be used to reimburse the account(s) for amounts previously appropriated and/or expended from such account(s).

As required by Section 5(a) of the Master Resolution of the Revenue Financing System, the Board hereby determines that it will have sufficient funds to meet the financial obligations of The Texas A&M University System, including sufficient Pledged Revenues to satisfy the Annual Debt Service Requirements of the Revenue Financing System and to meet all financial obligations of the Board relating to the Revenue Financing System, and that the Participants, on whose behalf the debt is issued, possess the financial capacity to satisfy their Direct Obligations.

**MINUTE ORDER 391-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 14)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO LEASE MEDICAL OFFICE  
AND CLINICAL SPACE IN THE BRYAN PROFESSIONAL BUILDING,  
1301 MEMORIAL DRIVE, BRYAN, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following approval for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to lease approximately 24,576 rentable square feet of medical office and clinical space in the



Bryan Professional Building, 1301 Memorial Drive, Bryan, Texas, for a term of one (1) year at an annual rent of \$392,232.96.

**MINUTE ORDER 392-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 15)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE A WORKING FOREST CONSERVATION  
EASEMENT COVERING 2,887 ACRES, MORE OR LESS, OF PRIVATELY-  
OWNED PROPERTY IN TYLER COUNTY, TEXAS,  
TEXAS FOREST SERVICE**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following approval for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to execute a Working Forest Conservation Easement covering 2,887 acres, more or less, of privately-owned property in Tyler County, Texas.

**MINUTE ORDER 393-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 16)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO GRANT A WATER PIPELINE EASEMENT IN  
DALLAS COUNTY, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following review for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to execute a non-exclusive easement for a twenty-inch (20”) water pipeline, twenty feet (20’) in width and approximately 2,596.73 linear feet (157.3776 rods) in length across A&M System property in Dallas County, Texas, assigned to Texas AgriLife Research. This easement will be for a ten (10) year term in favor of the City of Dallas. Total consideration for this easement is \$15,737.76.

**MINUTE ORDER 394-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 17)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO EXECUTE AN OIL, GAS AND SULPHUR LEASE  
COVERING 81.25 NET MINERAL ACRES, MORE OR LESS,  
IN HENDERSON COUNTY, TEXAS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Chancellor of The Texas A&M University System, or designee, following approval for legal sufficiency by the Office of General Counsel, is authorized to execute an Oil, Gas and Sulphur Lease with Blackbrush Oil & Gas, L.P. for a tract of land, being described as 81.25 net mineral acres, more or less, being an undivided 1/12 interest in 975 acres of land, more or less, a part of the Thomas S. Mitchell Survey A-488 of Henderson County, Texas; and being the same land described as 950 acres in a deed dated April 10, 1946, of record in Volume 307, Page 440 of the Deed Records of Henderson County, Texas, for a total bonus of \$20,312.50, or \$250 per net mineral acre, and 25% royalty, and containing such other terms and conditions as the Chancellor, or designee, deems appropriate.

**MINUTE ORDER 395-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 18)**

**APPROVAL OF NEW SYSTEM POLICY 41.01 (*REAL ESTATE*) AND  
DELETION OF NINE INDIVIDUAL POLICIES CURRENTLY EXISTING IN  
POLICY SERIES 41 (*REAL ESTATE MANAGEMENT*),  
SYSTEM POLICIES 41.01, 41.02, 41.03, 41.04, 41.05, 41.06, 41.07, 41.08,  
AND 41.09,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The new System Policy 41.01 (*Real Estate*), as shown in **Exhibit B**, is approved and effective immediately. The nine (9) current policies (*System Policies 41.01 – 41.09*) comprising the existing Policy Series 41 (*Real Estate Management*), are deleted, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 396-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 19)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO  
SYSTEM POLICY 51.01 (*CAPITAL PLANNING*),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The revisions to System Policy 51.01 (*Capital Planning*), as shown in **Exhibit C**, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 397-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 20)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 51.02 (*SELECTION OF ARCHITECT/ENGINEER DESIGN TEAM, DESIGN-BUILD CONTRACTOR OR CONSTRUCTION MANAGER AT RISK CONTRACTOR*),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The revisions to System Policy 51.02 (*Selection of Architect/Engineer Design Team, Design-Build Contractor or Construction Manager at Risk Contractor*), as shown in **Exhibit D**, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 398-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 21)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 51.04  
(*DELEGATIONS OF AUTHORITY ON CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS*),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The revisions to System Policy 51.04 (*Delegations of Authority on Construction Projects*), as shown in **Exhibit E**, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 399-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 22)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 51.05  
(*FURNISHING AND EQUIPPING NEW AND RENOVATED BUILDINGS*),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The revisions to System Policy 51.05 (*Policy on Furnishing and Equipping New and Renovated Buildings*), as shown in **Exhibit F**, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 400-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 23)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 51.06  
(NAMING OF BUILDINGS AND OTHER ENTITIES),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The revisions to System Policy 51.06 (*Policy on Naming of Buildings and Other Entities*), as shown in **Exhibit G**, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 401-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 24)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 51.07  
(PRESERVATION OF HISTORIC PROPERTIES),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Wilson, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The revisions to System Policy 51.07 (*Preservation of Historic Properties*), as shown in **Exhibit H**, are approved, effective immediately.

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Mr. Jones called on Mr. White to present the report from the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs.

**REPORT FROM THE  
COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS**

Mr. White, Acting Chair for the Committee on Academic and Student Affairs, reported that the Committee met earlier. He said that they received reports but due to a lack of a quorum, they did not vote. Mr. White made a motion that the Board approve Items 25 through 27, 29 and 30. The Board took action as set forth below:

*(Secretary's Note: Item 28 was withdrawn prior to the meeting.)*

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**MINUTE ORDER 402-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 25)**

**APPROVAL TO CHANGE THE NAME AND REPORTING STRUCTURE  
OF THE “CENTER FOR HEALTH CARE TECHNOLOGY”  
TO THE “CENTER FOR HEALTH SYSTEMS AND DESIGN,”  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER**

On motion of Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, which established the “Center for Health Care Technology” by Minute Order 189-83, hereby approves the change in name to the “Center for Health Systems and Design.” Additionally, the Board approves the change in reporting structure from the College of Medicine to joint management by The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center and Texas A&M University’s College of Architecture.

**MINUTE ORDER 403-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 26)**

**APPROVAL TO AMEND THE TABLE OF PROGRAMS  
FOR PRELIMINARY AUTHORITY FOR A STEP 2 COOPERATIVE DOCTOR  
OF PHILOSOPHY (PH.D.) DEGREE IN RANGELAND ECOLOGY  
MANAGEMENT, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM  
THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD,  
TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves amending the Table of Programs for Tarleton State University, to include preliminary authority for a Step 2 Cooperative Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree in Rangeland Ecology and Management.

The Board also authorizes the submission of Tarleton State University’s preliminary authority request to amend its Table of Programs to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval.

**MINUTE ORDER 404-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 27)**

**APPROVAL OF A NEW BACHELOR OF MUSIC IN PERFORMANCE DEGREE WITH INSTRUMENTAL, VOCAL, AND PIANO EMPHASES, AND AUTHORIZATION TO REQUEST APPROVAL FROM THE TEXAS HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING BOARD, TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System approves the establishment of a new degree program at Tarleton State University leading to a Bachelor of Music in Performance degree with Instrumental, Vocal, and Piano emphases.

The Board also authorizes submission of Tarleton’s new degree program request to the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board for approval and hereby certifies that all applicable criteria of the Coordinating Board have been met.

**MINUTE ORDER 405-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 29)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 11.02 (CREATION OF CENTERS AND INSTITUTES), THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The revisions to System Policy 11.02 (*Creation of Centers and Institutes*), as shown in **Exhibit I**, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 406-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 30)**

**APPROVAL OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM PROMISE PROGRAM, THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. White, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby approves the concept of The Texas A&M University System Promise Program. The Chancellor is authorized to take all actions necessary for the implementation of the Program.

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Mr. Jones called on Mr. Fraga to present the Policy Review Committee.

**REPORT FROM THE POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE**

Mr. Fraga said the Policy Review Committee met earlier that day and approved Items 4, 18 through 24, 29 and 31 through 40. He said Items 4, 18 through 24 and 29 were approved by other committees. Mr. Fraga said the committee recommended approval of Items 31 through 40. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 407-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 31)**

**APPROVAL OF NON-SUBSTANTIVE REVISIONS TO VARIOUS SYSTEM POLICIES 23.02 (DEBT MANAGEMENT), 31.01 (COMPENSATION), 31.02 (EMPLOYEE INSURANCE AND RETIREMENT BENEFITS), 31.03 (LEAVES OF ABSENCE), 31.04 (HOLIDAYS), 31.06 (SICK LEAVE POOL), 31.07 (RETIREMENT), 33.06 (HOURS OF WORK FOR FULL-TIME SALARIED EMPLOYEES), 34.05 (SMOKING), 34.07 (CRISIS MANAGEMENT), 51.03 (ART ACQUISITIONS FOR NEW AND RENOVATED FACILITIES), 60.03 (APPROVAL OF FEES, TEXAS A&M FOUNDATION), THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Fraga, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The revisions to the system policies, as shown in **Exhibits J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U** are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 408-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 32)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY 07.01 (ETHICS POLICY, TAMUS EMPLOYEES), AND DELETION OF BOARD POLICY II (F) (ETHICS POLICY FOR THE BOARD OF REGENTS), THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Fraga, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The revisions to System Policy 07.01 (*Ethics Policy, TAMUS Employees*), as shown in **Exhibit V**, are approved and effective immediately.

Furthermore, Board Policy II (F) (*Ethics Policy for the Board of Regents*) is hereby deleted.

**MINUTE ORDER 409-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 33)**

**APPROVAL OF NEW SYSTEM POLICY 07.03 (*CONFLICTS OF INTEREST, DUAL OFFICE HOLDING AND POLITICAL ACTIVITIES*),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Fraga, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

New System Policy 07.03 (*Conflicts of Interest, Dual Office Holding and Political Activities*), as shown in **Exhibit W**, is approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 410-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 34)**

**APPROVAL OF  
NEW SYSTEM POLICY 07.04 (*BENEFITS, GIFTS AND HONORARIA*),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Fraga, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

New System Policy 07.04 (*Benefits, Gifts and Honoraria*), as shown in **Exhibit X**, is approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 411-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 35)**

**APPROVAL OF NEW SYSTEM POLICY  
08.01 (*CIVIL RIGHTS, PROTECTION AND COMPLIANCE*) AND  
DELETION OF SYSTEM POLICIES  
13.01 (*EQUAL EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY*),  
33.02 (*EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY*), AND  
34.01 (*SEXUAL HARASSMENT*),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Fraga, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

New System Policy 08.01 (*Civil Rights Protections and Compliance*), as shown in **Exhibit Y**, is approved, effective immediately.

System Policies 13.01 (*Equal Educational Opportunity*), 33.02 (*Equal Employment Opportunity*), and 34.01 (*Sexual Harassment*), are deleted, effective immediately.



**MINUTE ORDER 412-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 36)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY  
25.01 (*USE AND OPERATION OF SYSTEM AIRCRAFT*),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Fraga, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The revisions to System Policy 25.01 (*Use and Operation of System Aircraft*), as shown in **Exhibit Z**, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 413-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 37)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY  
31.05 (*EXTERNAL EMPLOYMENT AND EXPERT WITNESS*),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Fraga, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The revisions to System Policy 31.05 (*External Employment and Expert Witness*), as shown in **Exhibit AA**, are approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 414-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 38)**

**APPROVAL OF DELETION OF  
SYSTEM POLICY 33.01 (*PRIVILEGES AS A CITIZEN*),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Fraga, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The deletion of System Policy 33.01 (*Privileges as a Citizen*), is approved, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 415-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 39)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO  
SYSTEM POLICY 33.03 (*NEPOTISM*),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Fraga, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The revisions to System Policy 33.03 (*Nepotism*), as shown in **Exhibit BB**, are approved and effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 416-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 40)**

**APPROVAL OF REVISIONS TO SYSTEM POLICY  
34.06 (*APPOINTMENT, COMMISSIONING AND  
AUTHORITY OF PEACE OFFICERS*),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Fraga, seconded by Mr. Nye and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The revisions to System Policy 34.06 (*Appointment, Commissioning and Authority of Peace Officers*), as shown in **Exhibit CC**, are approved, effective immediately.

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**OTHER ITEMS**

Mr. Jones presented Item 42. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 417-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 42)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION IN MEMORY OF  
H. C. “DULIE” BELL, JR. ‘39,  
BOARD OF REGENTS THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Harvey Carroll “Dulie” Bell, Jr. was born in 1917 in Caldwell, Texas, graduated from Caldwell High School in 1935, worked his way through Agricultural and Mechanical College of Texas, now Texas A&M University, and in 1939, received a Bachelor of Arts degree; and

Whereas, by early 1941, global tensions were strengthening and Mr. Bell volunteered for military service, prior to the United States entry into World War II, and proudly served his country during World War II in the Normandy Invasion at Omaha Beach as an infantry commander; and

Whereas, Mr. Bell was seriously wounded in action at Normandy on June 9, 1944, the same day his only daughter was born; and

Whereas, for his service and valor, he received the Bronze Star, the Purple Heart, the European-African-Middle East Campaign Medal, the World War II Victory Medal, the American Campaign Medal and the Medal of Jubilee for Liberty from France for the Normandy Invasion; and

Whereas, following the end of the war and after a two-year recuperation period, Mr. Bell retired from the Army with the rank of Major; and

Whereas, in 1946, he returned to Austin and founded Central Texas Equipment Company and served as its president and chief executive officer for over 50 years; and

Whereas, Mr. Bell was a tireless volunteer for the city of Austin, serving on many boards including the Board of Directors of Austin National Bank, President of the Salvation Army, President of the Austin Chamber of Commerce, President of the Headliner's Club and President of the Capitol City A&M Club; and

Whereas, he made many civic contributions and was widely known for sharing his time, organizational talents and resources to enhance the life of his city and state; and

Whereas, Mr. Bell was honored and recognized with numerous awards, including the State Highway and Public Transportation Commission's Road Hand Award, the Air Force Association's Man of the Year Award and the Counseling and Pastoral Care Center's Outstanding Citizen of Austin Award; and

Whereas, Mr. Bell was appointed to the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System in 1971 by Governor Preston Smith and then reappointed in 1977 by Governor Dolph Briscoe, serving twelve years of honorable and dedicated service on the Board of Regents; and

Whereas, much of Texas A&M University's growth was due to Mr. Bell's leadership as Chairman of the Planning and Building Committee where he oversaw the construction of more than 40 buildings on the College Station campus; and

Whereas, H. C. "Dulie" Bell served as a member of the Executive Committee, member of the Stiles Farm Foundation Board of Trustees and also served as a director on the board of the Herman F. Heep and Minnie Belle Heep Texas A&M University Foundation for many years; and

Whereas, in 1986, he received the designation of Regent Emeritus for his distinguished service to the Board of Regents and The Texas A&M University System; and

Whereas, in 1988, Mr. Bell was honored by having the H. C. “Dulie” Bell Building on the Texas A&M University campus named for him; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, meeting on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 2008, express our deepest gratitude and respect for his distinguished service; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, and be presented to H. C. “Dulie” Bell, Jr.’s family and to the Archives of The Texas A&M University System as a permanent mark of the respect of this Board for the life and work of the late H. C. “Dulie” Bell, Jr. and as a token of this Board’s sympathy in his family’s great loss.

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Mr. Jones called on Dr. McKinney to present Item 43. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 418-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 43)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION HONORING DR. ROBERT STRAWSER  
FOR HIS OUTSTANDING DEDICATION AND SERVICE AS  
INTERIM PRESIDENT OF TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-KINGSVILLE,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Fraga and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Dr. Robert Strawser has served Texas A&M University-Kingsville and The Texas A&M University System with honor and distinction in a variety of capacities, including Interim President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville and as Regents Professor and holder of the Andersen Chair in the Mays School of Business Administration at Texas A&M University; and

Whereas, his leadership and commitment guided Texas A&M University-Kingsville through an unprecedented period of change; and

Whereas, Dr. Strawser’s reputation as an outstanding faculty leader and his concern for the students, faculty and staff at Texas A&M University-Kingsville lent great credibility to his tenure as interim president; and

Whereas, his career honors include election and service of two terms as Speaker of the A&M Faculty Senate under Presidents Ray Bowen and Robert Gates; and

Whereas, his research has been recognized by the Faculty Distinguished Achievement Award in Research from the Association of Former Students of Texas A&M University and he is a recipient of the Outstanding Researcher Award from the Mays School of Business Administration; and

Whereas, Dr. Strawser’s willingness to serve Texas A&M University-Kingsville and Texas A&M University is well documented; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, gratefully recognize the dedication and service of Dr. Strawser as Interim President of Texas A&M University-Kingsville, as well as his service to Texas A&M University; and for his role in furthering the vision of excellence for The Texas A&M University System; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, and be presented to Dr. Robert Strawser and to the Archives of Texas A&M University-Kingsville as an expression of appreciation and respect for Dr. Strawser.

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Mr. Jones called on Dr. Anantha Babbili, Provost at TAMU-CC, to present Items 44 through 49. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 419-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 44)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION  
TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION TO SHADRACK SONGOK,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Shadrack Songok of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi won the NCAA Indoor National Championship in the 5,000-meter run and the NCAA Outdoor National Championship in the 10,000-meter run; and

Whereas, Mr. Songok has now won three national titles and is a six-time All-American in track and cross country; and

Whereas, he was named the Southland Conference Scholar Athlete of the Year for Cross Country, Indoor Track and Outdoor Track; and

Whereas, Mr. Songok won back-to-back Southland Conference and NCAA South Central region titles in cross country; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, express our sincere congratulations to A&M-Corpus Christi Islander's Shadrack Songok for the honor and recognition his many accomplishments have brought to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi and The Texas A&M University System; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, and be presented to Mr. Songok and to the Archives of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi as a remembrance of this Board's appreciation.

**MINUTE ORDER 420-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 45)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION  
TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION TO HICKEL WOOLERY,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi's Hickel Woolery excelled in the discus at a collegiate and national level; and

Whereas, Mr. Woolery won the Jamaican National Championship in the discus; and

Whereas, Mr. Woolery reached the finals of the discus for the second straight season at the NCAA Outdoor National Championships; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, express our sincere congratulations to Mr. Woolery for the honor and recognition his accomplishments have brought to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi and The Texas A&M University System; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, and be presented to Mr. Woolery and to the Archives of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi as a remembrance of this Board's appreciation.

**MINUTE ORDER 421-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 46)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION  
TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION TO KASSANDREA SON,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi's Kassandra Son excelled in Indoor and Outdoor Track; and

Whereas, Ms. Son advanced to the NCAA Outdoor Track and Field Championships in the 100-meter dash and the long jump; and

Whereas, Ms. Son was named the Southland Conference Freshman of the Year in both indoor and outdoor track; and

Whereas, Ms. Son won conference titles in the long jump, both indoors and outdoors; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, express our sincere congratulations to Ms. Son for the honor and recognition her accomplishments have brought to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi and The Texas A&M University System; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, and be presented to Ms. Son and to the Archives of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi as a remembrance of this Board's appreciation.

**MINUTE ORDER 422-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 47)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION  
TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION TO PAUL SAVILLE,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi's Paul Saville excelled in the classroom while competing in baseball; and

Whereas, Mr. Saville became the University's first-ever F.L. McDonald Scholarship Award winner for having the highest grade-point average amongst Southland Conference male athletes; and

Whereas, Mr. Saville posted a cumulative 4.0 GPA for his collegiate career; and

Whereas, Mr. Saville was named to the CoSIDA/ESPN Magazine District VI first team; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, express our sincere congratulations to Mr. Saville for the honor and recognition his accomplishments have brought to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi and The Texas A&M University System; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, and be presented to Mr. Saville and to the Archives of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi as a remembrance of this Board's appreciation.

**MINUTE ORDER 423-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 48)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION  
TO THE 2008 WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY TEAM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi women's cross country won the Southland Conference Championship; and

Whereas, head coach Shawn Flanagan was named the Southland Conference Coach of the Year in women's cross country; and

Whereas, Sarah De Los Santos was named the Southland Conference Freshman of the Year in women's cross country; and

Whereas, Lydia Kimeli, Meghan Lemke and Sarah De Los Santos were named to All-Southland Conference team; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, express our sincere congratulations to the members of the A&M-Corpus Christi Islander's women's cross country team for the honor and recognition their accomplishments have brought to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi and The Texas A&M University System; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System,



and be presented to the coach and to each member of the team and to the Archives of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi as a remembrance of this Board’s appreciation.

**MINUTE ORDER 424-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 49)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION  
TO THE 2008 MEN’S TENNIS TEAM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-CORPUS CHRISTI**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, the men’s tennis team of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi won its third Southland Conference championship in the past four seasons; and

Whereas, the Islanders went undefeated in league play; and

Whereas, the men’s tennis team advanced to the NCAA Tournament for the third time in school history; and

Whereas, Laurent Montois was named Southland Conference Freshman of the Year and teammates James Langford and Dmitry Novikov were named first-team All-Southland Conference as singles; and

Whereas, Steve Moore was named the Southland Conference Coach of the Year for the second straight season; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, express our sincere congratulations to the members of the A&M-Corpus Christi Islander’s men’s tennis team for the honor and recognition their accomplishments have brought to Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi and The Texas A&M University System; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, and be presented to the coach and to each member of the team and to the Archives of Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi as a remembrance of this Board’s appreciation.

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Mr. Jones called on Dr. J. Patrick O’Brien, President of WTAMU, to present Item 50. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 425-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 50)**

**ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION TO EXPRESS APPRECIATION  
TO THE 2008-2009 HORSE JUDGING TEAM,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Fraga and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Whereas, the West Texas A&M University Horse Judging Team won the All-American Quarter Horse Congress on October 15, 2008, in Columbus, Ohio, which is the longest standing collegiate horse judging contest and considered a National Championship, for the third consecutive year; and

Whereas, team members Jake Becker (junior from McLean, Illinois); Randi Jameson (sophomore from Pueblo West, Colorado); Sarah Moentmann (junior from Carrollton, Missouri); Nikki Murray (senior from Cincinnati, Ohio); Rachel Olson (junior from Alexis, Illinois); Amy Petrie (sophomore from Stonyford, California); and Montana Smith (senior from Brooklet, Georgia) are recognized; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, that we, the members of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, express our heartfelt congratulations to all the members of the West Texas A&M University Horse Judging Team for their contributions to West Texas A&M University; and, be it, further

Resolved, that this resolution be spread upon the minutes, and copies thereof be signed by the Chairman of the Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, and be presented to each member of the team and to the Archives of West Texas A&M University as an expression of this Board's appreciation and gratitude to all these individuals for a job well done.

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Mr. Jones presented Item 51. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 426-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 51)**

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE  
SEPTEMBER 25-26, 2008, REGULAR BOARD MEETING, AND  
THE OCTOBER 27, 2008, SPECIAL TELEPHONIC BOARD MEETING,  
BOARD OF REGENTS THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Fraga and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Minutes of the September 25-26, 2008, Regular Board Meeting, and the October 27, 2008, Special Telephonic Meeting are hereby approved.

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Mr. Jones called on Dr. McKinney to present Items 52 through 57 and 71 (Items 58, 69 and 70 were withdrawn). The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 427-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 52)**

**APPROVAL OF ACADEMIC TENURE,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System, in accordance with System Policy 12.01 (*Academic Freedom, Responsibility and Tenure*), hereby authorizes the granting of tenure to the following faculty members as set forth in **Exhibit DD**, Tenure List No. 09-02.

**MINUTE ORDER 428-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 53)**

**GRANTING OF THE TITLE OF EMERITUS/EMERITA,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In recognition of long and distinguished service to The Texas A&M University System, the Board of Regents hereby confirms the recommendation of the Chancellor, and confers the title of “Emeritus/Emerita” upon the individuals as shown in **Exhibit EE**, Emeritus/Emerita Title List No. 09-02, and grants all rights and privileges of this title.

**MINUTE ORDER 429-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 54)**

**CONFIRMATION OF APPOINTMENT  
AND COMMISSIONING OF PEACE OFFICERS,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

In accordance with System Policy 34.06 (*Appointment, Commissioning and Authority of Peace Officers*), the Presidents of member universities are authorized to appoint and commission campus peace officers in accordance with the requirements of the law, subject to confirmation by the Board of Regents, as shown in **Exhibit FF**, attached to the official minutes.

**MINUTE ORDER 430-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 55)**

**CERTIFICATION OF THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM  
STRATEGIC PLAN (FY 2009-2013),  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Texas A&M University System Strategic Plan (FY 2009-2013), as shown in **Exhibit GG**, is certified, effective immediately.

**MINUTE ORDER 431-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 56)**

**APPROVAL FOR PROFESSOR PETER MCINTYRE, A SYSTEM EMPLOYEE,  
TO SERVE AS AN OFFICER, EMPLOYEE AND BOARD MEMBER OF A  
BUSINESS ENTITY LICENSING TECHNOLOGY FROM  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby approves Professor Peter McIntyre of the Department of Physics of Texas A&M University, holding a position as an employee, officer, and member of the board of directors of Accelerator Technology Corporation and Texas NanoMaterials, Inc., two business entities that are commercializing technologies that originated in part in research at Texas A&M University and the Texas Engineering Experiment Station. Accelerator Technology Corp. has negotiated an agreement with The Texas A&M University System relating to the research, development, licensing and exploitation of intellectual property presently embodied in issued patents.

**MINUTE ORDER 432-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 57)**

**APPROVAL FOR DR. WILLIAM R. HOWELL, A SYSTEM EMPLOYEE, TO  
SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
OR OTHER GOVERNING BOARD OF A BUSINESS ENTITY LICENSING  
TECHNOLOGY FROM THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents of The Texas A&M University System hereby approves the appointment of Dr. William R. Howell, Director of Business Development, Office of Technology Commercialization, to serve in his official capacity as a member of the governing board of TamChem, Inc., a business entity which will be formed by The Texas A&M University System for the purpose of development and commercialization of technology owned by The Texas A&M University System. Dr. Howell shall report to the Vice Chancellor for Technology Commercialization and shall serve for a term not to exceed two years. The Vice Chancellor for Technology Commercialization is authorized to reappoint Dr. Howell for an additional two year term or terms.

**MINUTE ORDER 433-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 71)**

**APPROVAL FOR DR. STEPHEN H. SAFE, A SYSTEM EMPLOYEE,  
TO SERVE AS AN OFFICER, EMPLOYEE AND BOARD MEMBER OF A  
BUSINESS ENTITY LICENSING TECHNOLOGY  
FROM THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The Board of Regents hereby approves Dr. Stephen H. Safe, Director of the Center for Environmental & Genetic Medicine, Institute of Biosciences & Technology, The Texas A&M University System Health Science Center, to serve as an officer, employee and member of the board of directors of SPKD Company, LLC, a business entity that has an agreement with The Texas A&M University System relating to the research, development, licensing, or exploitation of intellectual property conceived, created, discovered, invented and developed by Dr. Stephen H. Safe.

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Mr. Jones called on Dr. George C. Wright, President of Prairie View A&M University (PVAMU), to present Item 59. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 434-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 59)**

**AUTHORIZATION TO NAME THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING  
THE “ROY G. PERRY COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING,”  
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

The College of Engineering at Prairie View A&M University is hereby named the “Roy G. Perry College of Engineering.”

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Mr. Jones called on Dr. Murano and Dr. Loftin to present Items 60 and 61. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 435-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 60)**

**APPOINTMENT OF MR. WILLIAM H. (BILL) FLORES ’76 TO  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON BOARD OF VISITORS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Fraga and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective January 1, 2009, Mr. William H. (Bill) Flores ’76, is hereby appointed to the Texas A&M University at Galveston Board of Visitors for a term of three years.

**MINUTE ORDER 436-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 61)**

**APPOINTMENT OF MR. PETER D. HUDDLESTON ’80 TO  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY AT GALVESTON BOARD OF VISITORS,  
TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Fraga and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective January 1, 2009, Mr. Peter D. Huddleston ’80 is hereby appointed to the Texas A&M University at Galveston Board of Visitors for a term of three years.

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Mr. Jones called on Dr. McKinney to present Items 62 through 68. The Board took action as set forth below:

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**MINUTE ORDER 437-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 62)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. JAMES HALLMARK  
AS PROVOST/VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS,  
WEST TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective December 5, 2008, Dr. James Hallmark is hereby appointed Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs at West Texas A&M University, at an initial salary of \$150,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 438-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 63)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
MR. ROBERT C. TODD  
AS ASSOCIATE AGENCY DIRECTOR,  
TEXAS ENGINEERING EXTENSION SERVICE**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective January 1, 2009, Mr. Robert C. Todd is hereby appointed Associate Agency Director of the Texas Engineering Extension Service, at an initial annual salary of \$113,544.

**MINUTE ORDER 439-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 64)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. NAGAMANGALA K. ANAND  
AS ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR,  
TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective December 6, 2008, Dr. Nagamangala K. Anand is hereby appointed Associate Director of the Texas Engineering Experiment Station, at an initial salary of \$204,216 per year.

**MINUTE ORDER 440-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 65)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. KENNETH R. HALL  
AS DEPUTY DIRECTOR,  
TEXAS ENGINEERING EXPERIMENT STATION**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective December 6, 2008, Dr. Kenneth R. Hall is hereby appointed Deputy Director of the Texas Engineering Experiment Station, at an initial salary of \$246,852 per year.

**MINUTE ORDER 441-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 66)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. WILLIAM R. STOCKTON  
AS EXECUTIVE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR,  
TEXAS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective January 1, 2009, Dr. William R. Stockton is hereby appointed Executive Associate Director of the Texas Transportation Institute at an initial annual salary of \$198,000.

**MINUTE ORDER 442-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 67)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
DR. KATHERINE F. TURNBULL  
AS EXECUTIVE ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR,  
TEXAS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Effective January 1, 2009, Dr. Katherine F. Turnbull is hereby appointed Executive Associate Director of the Texas Transportation Institute at an initial annual salary of \$198,000.



**MINUTE ORDER 443-2008 (AGENDA ITEM 68)**

**APPOINTMENT OF  
MR. SCOTT A. KELLY  
AS INTERIM GENERAL COUNSEL,  
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. White and by a unanimous vote, the following minute order was adopted:

Mr. Scott A. Kelly is hereby appointed Interim General Counsel of The Texas A&M University System, effective December 5, 2008, at an annual salary of \$186,760 during this interim appointment.

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Mr. Jones called on Mr. White, System Athletic Liaison.

**REPORT FROM SYSTEM ATHLETIC LIAISON**

Mr. White said he would like to point out individual accomplishments for the year as well as team accomplishments and most of the reports would be about football. He said at TAMU-C, they finished 5-5 overall and 3-2 in conference play. Nine members of the football team were selected first team Lone Star Conference North Division, three were named to the second team and two received honorable mention...a lot of good individual efforts. Mr. White said WTAMU had a record of 11-2 for the season. He said they had 17 players either on the first or second team All Lone Star Conference South Division and three members were named to the *CoSIDA/ESPN The Magazine Academic All District 6* team, Jared Brock, Charly Martin and Keith Null. Mr. White said TAMU-K went from a 3-8 to a 7-4 record this year. They had 17 players earn Lone Star Conference South Division honors. He said TSU finished ranked No. 8 in the final NCAA Division II Super Regional Four rankings and finished with an 8-3 record. They had 12 players earn Lone Star Conference honors, five on the South Division first team, three were named to the second team and four were honorable mention. Mr. White said PVAMU has made a great turnaround, the football team, the attitude and the spirit...a great day. They ended the season 9-1 with a 6-1 in conference play. Prairie View was ranked in the top 25 in the FCS Coaches Poll for the first time in school history.

Texas A&M golfer, Matt Van Zandt, has been named a semi-finalist in the 5th annual Coach Wooden Citizenship Cup...an award given to the most outstanding role model among the nation's athletics. Mr. White said four members of the TAMU football team were named to the academic All-Big 12 Conference team: Justin Brantly, Stephen McGee, Ryan Tannehill and Travis Schneider. He concluded his report with, "Just wait until next year!"

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mr. Jones announced that the next regular meeting was scheduled for January 22-23, 2009, on the campus of TAMU. He asked if there was any other new business to come before the Board. There was none.

**ADJOURNMENT**

On motion of Mr. Nye, seconded by Mr. Fraga and by a unanimous vote, the meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Vickie Burt Spillers  
Executive Secretary to the Board  
The Texas A&M University System

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